

Tuesday, December 5, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S17933–S18036

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1444–1449, and S. Res. 197. **Page S18016**

Measures Passed:

Congratulating Northwestern University: Senate agreed to S. Res. 197, to congratulate the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 1995 Big Ten Conference football championship and on receiving an invitation to compete in the 1996 Rose Bowl, and to commend Northwestern University for its pursuit of athletic and academic excellence. **Pages S17964–65**

Defense Production Authorization: Senate passed H.R. 2204, to extend and reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S18035–36**

Securities Litigation Reform Act—Conference Report: By 65 yeas to 30 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 589), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 1058, to amend the Federal securities laws to curb certain abusive practices in private securities litigation. **Pages S17933–62, S17965–97**

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 1833, to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S17997, S18002–11**

Pending:

(1) Smith Amendment No. 3080, to provide a life-of-the-mother exception. **Pages S18003–11**

(2) Dole Amendment No. 3081 (to Amendment No. 3080), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S18003–04**

(3) Pryor Amendment No. 3082, to clarify certain provisions of law with respect to the approval and marketing of certain prescription drugs. **Pages S18004–11**

(4) Boxer Amendment No. 3083 (to Amendment No. 3082), to clarify the application of certain provisions with respect to abortions where necessary to preserve the life or health of the woman. **Pages S18004–11**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Wednesday, December 6, 1995 at 5 p.m. **Page S18036**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

2 Army nominations in the rank of general. **Page S18036**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:19 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, December 6, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S18036.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Schwartz, United States Army, for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general, and Lt. Gen. Paul E. Funk, United States Army, to be placed on the retired list of the United States Army in the grade indicated under section 1370 of title 10, U.S.C., and 1,932 routine nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

OECD SHIPBUILDING AGREEMENT

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on S. 1354, to approve and implement the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Shipbuilding Trade Agreement, receiving testimony from Jeffrey M. Lang, Deputy United States Trade

Representative; Albert Bossier, Jr., Avondale Industries, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana; R.T.E. Bowler, III, American Shipbuilding Association, Arlington, Virginia; John Dane, III, Trinity Marine Group, Inc., Gulfport, Mississippi, representing the American Waterways Shipyard Conference and the Shipbuilders Council of America; and Peter J. Finnerty, Sea-Land Service, Inc. and CSX Corporation, Washington, D.C., representing the American Institute of Merchant Shipping and the Coalition in Support of the OECD Commercial Shipbuilding Agreement.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Joshua Gotbaum, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

LOCAL EMPOWERMENT AND FLEXIBILITY ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 88, to increase the overall economy and efficiency of Government operations and enable more efficient use of Federal funding, by enabling local governments and private, nonprofit organizations to use amounts available under certain Federal assistance programs in accordance with approved local flexibility plans, receiving testimony from Senator Hatfield; Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, General Accounting Office; John A. Koskinen, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget; Susan A. Cameron, Tillamook County Health Department, Tillamook, Oregon; and R. Scott Fosler, National Academy of Public Administration, and Charles Griffiths, Advisory Commission

on Intergovernmental Relations, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded hearings on S. 984, to protect the fundamental right of a parent to direct the upbringing of a child of the parent, after receiving testimony from Representative Largent; Michael P. Farris, Home School Legal Defense Association, Purcellville, Virginia; Colleen K. Pinyan, The Rutherford Institute, Washington, D.C.; Sammy J. Quintana, Pojoaque Valley School Board, Santa Fe, New Mexico, on behalf of the National School Boards Association; Wade F. Horn, National Fatherhood Initiative, Gaithersburg, Maryland; Margaret F. Brinig, George Mason University School of Law, Arlington, Virginia; and E. W. Angell, Toccoa, Georgia.

WHITEWATER

Special Committee to Investigate the Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee resumed hearings to examine issues relative to the Whitewater Development Corporation, receiving testimony from Steven Irons, Supervisory Special Agent, Kevin Kendrick, Supervisory Special Agent, and Donald Pettus, former Special Agent in Charge, all of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Douglas Frazier, Assistant Director for Evaluation and Review, Executive Office of United States Attorneys, and Charles Banks, former United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas, all of the Department of Justice; and William Kennedy, Rose Law Firm, Little Rock, Arkansas, former Associate Counsel to the President.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 2703–2716; 5 private bills, H.R. 2717–2721; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 130 and H. Con. Res. 117 were introduced.

Pages H14002–03

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Report entitled “Revised Subdivision of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1996” (H. Rept. 104–380);

H. Res. 289, waiving points of order against the conference report to H.R. 2076, making appropri-

tions for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996 (H. Rept. 104–381);

H. Res. 290, waiving points of order against the conference report to H.R. 1058, to reform Federal securities litigation (H. Rept. 104–382); and

H.R. 1710, to combat terrorism, amended (H. Rept. 104–383).

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